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**PENSACOLA has a Depth of 33 Feet of Water in the Channel at the Entrance of the Harbor.**

## BRABANT ATTACKED BY BOERS

Force Fighting All Day Yesterday and To-Day.

Boers Maxim Guns Did Considerable Execution, Then British Guns Got the Range and Moved Down Boers.

A Fearful Slaughter on Both Sides.

London, April 10.—Dispatches from Allawai North this morning say the Boers attacked Gen. Brabant and his force of from two to three thousand Colonials yesterday and were fighting all day.

The fighting was very heavy. The Boers used their Vickers and Maxim guns and did considerable execution.

The British guns, however, soon got the range and caused great havoc. Boer reinforcements are rushing in from all sides to participate in the attack and a deadly battle will undoubtedly be fought.

Heavy cannonading commenced this morning in the vicinity of Blaudfontein. The Boers have fortified the vicinity of Wessels Neck and have mounted heavy guns. It is probable that Buller has engaged the Boers.

Two thousand Boers are marching toward Sprinkfontein, Gen. Gatacre's base. A British division is hastening thither and a battle is imminent.

While the Bloemfontein correspondents are not permitted to send out anything pertaining to the movement of British troops, the general supposition here is that Lord Roberts is sending out forces to cut off the Boers when they attempted to move northward.

It is reported that the Boers will try to retake and destroy the bridge across Orange river. They practically again hold the free state to the eastward and are greatly encouraged by recent developments.

The Miobe and Milwaukee have arrived at the Island of St. Helena with Boer prisoners. There are four cases of measles aboard the Milwaukee and she is being quarantined.

The Paris Figaro to-day says all danger of an Anglo-French war has passed and that the relations between the cabinets of the two countries are smooth.

Kentucky Republicans.

Louisville, April 10.—The republican state executive committee will today meet to arrange plans for the party in Kentucky and set the date for the convention, which, it is thought, will be May 16. The convention will endorse the cause of Taylor and take a stand for the repeal of the Goebel election law. The McKinley administration will be strongly endorsed. It will also decide for expansion, for the gold standard and approve the attitude of President McKinley on the Porto Rico tariff question.

Disastrous Cricket Game.

London, April 10.—A Sydney special says that a party of Samanese en route to the Paris exposition have arrived there and report that just before they left in a cricket match at Savail, there was a fight growing out of the umpire's decision and that ten men were killed and the ground was covered with wounded.

Congressman Boutelle.

Boston, April 10.—The Post says Congressman Boutelle is still in the sanitarium at Waverly and that his health is not mending in any manifest degree. The fact becomes daily more manifest that he will never again be able to re-enter public life.

Strong Winds To-Night.

Weather Observer Wright received the following advisory message this afternoon: Strong but not dangerous southerly winds to-night, with rain, shifting to cold or northwesterly Wednesday morning.

Million Dollar Cargo.

Philadelphia, April 10.—The steamship Wilhelmina sailed yesterday for Yokohama, Japan, with a cargo valued at \$1,000,000, including locomotives and a lot of structural iron.

Clark to be Ousted.

Washington, April 10.—The senate committee on privileges and immunities has unanimously decided to recommend that the seat of Senator Clark of Montana be declared vacant.

Cotton Quotations.

New York, April 10.—Cotton is quoted to-day as follows: April 10, May, 9.38; June, 9.32; July, 9.30; August, 9.29; September, 9.42.

Do not fail to read the advertisement of TEETHINA in this paper.

Nothing that is tailored honestly and thoroughly at White's.

## JAPAN MAY SEIZE FOOKIEN.

Country Is Rich In Mineral—Chinese Reformers Executed.

TACOMA, April 9.—The steamer Montmouthshire brings news that the commercialists of Japan are agitating the question of Japan obtaining a foothold in Fookien province, in southern China, opposite Formosa. The Japanese Export society, founded by Count Inouye, has appointed a committee of influential men to investigate the best methods of increasing exports and decreasing imports.

The same society sent one of its members to Fookien, which province he says is rich in silver, iron, lead and coal. He recommends that mining concessions be first secured, to be followed by railroad concessions between Foo Chow and Kinkong, 360 miles. The port of Tswanchin, he says, should be opened to facilitate trade with Formosa.

By order of the empress dowager two of the most prominent Chinese reformers have been seized and probably executed. They are Weng Tungbo, former tutor to the emperor, and Pe Shuf Peng, who last winter memorialized the empress to execute Jung Lu and Kang Yi for treason.

## CHICAGO CARS ARE RUNNING

New Men Have Replaced the Strikers at the Power House.

CHICAGO, April 9.—The street cars have been in a badly demoralized condition since the strike of the power house men, but are now being operated, both the cable on State and Wabash avenues and the Crosstown electric lines are running the usual number of trains and on nearly schedule time. New men have been procured to fill the places of the strikers and those who applied for their old positions were refused.

The new rules requiring the men to work 12 hours have been posted in the power houses which are under police protection and no further trouble is looked for.

## EGAN ELECTED PRESIDENT.

He Is Chosen as Successor to the Late H. M. Comer.

SAVANNAH, April 9.—At the regular quarterly meeting of the Central of Georgia railway directors today, John M. Egan was elected president to succeed the late H. M. Comer, and J. F. Hanson of Macon made chairman of the board, a new office. He is to have charge of the finances of the company.

Resolutions of regret were adopted on the death of President Comer.

Released From Quarantine.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 9.—The transport Sheridan and trans-Pacific steamers Belgian King and Doric have been released from quarantine. The transport Lawton, formerly the Badger, has come down from the Mare Island navy yard to be overhauled at the Union ironworks.

Woman Burned to Death.

FLORENCE, S. C., April 9.—Mrs. John Jolly was burning trash in the field near her home in this county, when her dress caught fire and her clothes were burned off before help could reach her. She was practically unconscious when her brother, who was in the field, reached her.

Beer Problem Solved.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 9.—The state board of dispensary directors have finally settled the beer question. After June 13 only 13 towns in the state will have beer dispensaries. Columbia and Charleston will have two each and 11 other towns one each.

Hawaiian Bill In Senate.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—At the opening of today's session of the senate the bill for the government of Hawaii, as passed by the house, was presented and at the request of Mr. Chilton was ordered printed.

Mob Hunting Negro.

ANDERSON, S. C., April 9.—Nancy Taylor, a negro woman, was assaulted by an unknown negro man near here while returning to her home. Negroes organized a posse and are still hunting the criminal.

Ships Ordered to West India.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, April 9.—News has been received here that the British North America and West Indies squadron is to be increased by a battleship, two cruisers and several torpedo boats.

Quay Case In Senate.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—An ineffectual attempt was made to fix a time for a vote on the Quay case.

Working Night and Day.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar-coated globe of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, brain-fag into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25c per box. Sold by W. A. D'Alemberte.

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FLY SCREENS.

An elegant assortment of trunks and valises at White's.

Fechheimer Fishel Clothing is equal in every respect to made-to-order garments. See the new Spring arrivals at White's.

New Spring Manhattan Shirts, at White's.

## SUFFERINGS OF THE BRITISH IN AFRICA

A Correspondent Graphically Describes the Conditions.

## WATER AND FOOD SCARCE

Soldiers Fight For Hours Under Tropical Sun and In Burning Sands Without Meat or Drink—Forgets Everything But His Insatiable Thirst.

LONDON, April 9.—A correspondent says that though the British soldier has thirsted in the thirstiest countries of the globe, he admits the relief to be a fresh experience. Aden, India, Egypt, Sudan, they are sometimes not hotter, not dryer, not dustier, but less endurable for some reason. It is the army and South Africa together, no doubt, which is the cause, for men who have lived in Kimberley, Johannesburg, Bloemfontein and Natal are only now, while campaigning, acquiring the experience of the army with its incessant tramping, the ceaseless fog of dust which hangs about its camps. And to that must be added the compulsory life in the sun—the sun at its hottest and driest hours, the absence of shade, the parching suction of the sand, which is red, hot and thirsty.

It will be curious to live without a water bottle slung about one's shoulder. One can scarcely remember the day when water was not regarded with reverence and jealousy when it could be made to run clear, continuous and unvalued by a turn of the finger. Here, where one knows by tried limbs the weight of what one drinks, thought of water flowing through pipes seems a dream of paradise. And such water, which left no mud at the bottom of the mug and did not stain what it was spilt on. Why, the water we drink here is often too thick even to filter. One cannot pump it through a Berkefeld candle.

At Randan this was a big pond, what was left of moisture in the dam. One bathed in it only under the most pressing compulsion of cleanliness. The water was very shallow, but the mud was black and deep. One sank to the knees if he tried to walk, and so sat gently half in mud and half in brown sludge and thanked God for water. One rose from it with the green leeches hanging about his body like bits of sea weed and with sprinkling of insects. Horses looked askance at that pool, but the men drank of it freely, and drank of it where they could get it. The horses hoofs had churned it into a green liquid like turtle soup.

At 6 o'clock the soldier has been 12 hours under fire, his last meal was a biscuit 15 hours back, when he had fallen in at 3 o'clock in the morning after marching all day before. But he is aware neither of weariness or hunger, in the fever of his thirst. The flush of his face, stained brown by the sun, has a dry, twisted look, like the parched stem of a scrub, though all the moisture has been wrung from it. One grows to know that look out here. His fingers never leave his water bottle, nor his eyes the green fringe of bush along the river. Another hour and the guns cease firing; a new fight begins far away to the right. The sun is going down and he can see nothing to the left of him but a hot gold glare of dust, then out of it a man leaps and makes a dash toward the river. There is a sharp ring of an order lost and a quick stammer of additional shots, the man swings around and pitches forward on his back.

The battle grows louder on the right, the Howitzer battery has come into action, brownish puffs of lyddite are bursting along the kopje. But the man lying in the scrub pays no heed to it. His arms are spread out flat, his fingers dug into the sand. He is pulling himself slowly forward, his eyes glaring ahead through the scrub. When a bullet strikes near him he stops a moment, but goes on again.

So in half an hour he covers about 50 yards. He can see the cool hollow of the river, but there is only brown grass along its banks and his only chance lies in a dash. He is on all fours for a spring but he gets no further. A rifle has been following the faint trail of dust above him and he sinks down in a lump with a bullet through the head.

## NEGRO SHOOTS AN OFFICER.

Posse Is Now Securing the Country For the Criminal.

BROWNSTOWN, Tenn., April 9.—There is much excitement in the vicinity of Stanton and Daneyville over a shooting affray which took place near the latter place yesterday. Officer W. B. Nash of Stanton went with his deputies to arrest Robert Matthews, a negro schoolteacher residing near Daneyville, charged with robbery. On the way they arrested Jim Matthews, another alleged party to the robbery.

Arriving at the cabin of Robert Matthews the officers stationed themselves about the house and Nash started by entering, when Matthews greeted him with two shots from a double-barrel shotgun, which shattered his left arm. As he fell to the ground he fired his two pistols at Matthews, who escaped during the affray. Posse were immediately armed and are scouring the surrounding hills which afford hiding places for negroes. Nash is seriously wounded.

"Catch the opportunity." By taking Hood's Sarsaparilla now you may build up your health and prevent serious illness.

New Spring Manhattan Shirts, at White's.

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Crossett's Young America \$3 shoes for young men, the best shoe in the world for the price, at White's.

## MANY PERISH IN THE TEXAS FLOOD

More Than 50 Lives Already Reported Lost.

## SITUATION MORE SERIOUS

Rivers Continue to Rise—Feared Later Reports Will Greatly Augment the Death List—The Property Loss Will Amount to Many Thousands.

DALLAS, April 9.—Reports received at Dallas up to noon from the southern and southwestern Texas flood section show conclusively that more than 50 lives have been lost, including those at Austin. The names of at least half are not obtainable yet because of the isolation of the districts from the railroads. Most of them are in the Colorado valley, south of Austin and Eastrop.

LaGrange at noon says the river is still rising and menacing many country districts. The stream is now 4 feet higher than during the great flood of last year.

Bastrop is entirely surrounded by water and cut off. The property damage is enormous. All the wires along the Missouri, Kansas and Texas railroad south of Temple are lost. Railroad traffic in the southern half of the state is practically abandoned and all outlets to California are gone because of the big washouts on the western divisions of the Texas and Pacific.

E. H. R. Greene, son of Hetty Greene and president of the Tarpon club of the Gulf coast, has received telegrams from Bastrop of heavy damage to the club property on St. Joseph Island. A number of small vessels were wrecked and some lives are believed to have been lost.

The Trinity river at Dallas continues to rise. The stream is nearly a mile wide here. Much property has been lost in the valley. No lives reported lost as yet.

Later reports from Bastrop, Fayette and Wharton counties, on the Colorado river, are that the full force of the flood is just being felt. The waters are rising so rapidly that the people are compelled to desert their homes with all possible speed to protect their lives. Even this has not saved some, as reports come from Bastrop that 12 people were drowned there during the night. In Wharton and Fayette counties the situation is even more grave and it is expected that further reports from this section will not only pile up an immense property loss, but the list of human life lost will be swelled considerably.

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## BIG SENSATION IN AUGUSTA.

Excavation Near Cemetery Startles the People of the Town.

AUGUSTA, Ga., April 9.—Foreman W. H. Powell of the cemetery force has discovered a newly-made hole in the ground just on the outside of the wall, on Lincoln street. He went out to investigate and found that some object had been dug out of the ground, and had evidently been carried off in a wagon, as there were the tracks made by wheels leading up to the hole.

It is generally believed that some one dug up a pot of gold which was buried during the night. In Wharton and Fayette counties the situation is even more grave and it is expected that further reports from this section will not only pile up an immense property loss, but the list of human life lost will be swelled considerably.

Quarter Million Dollar Fire.

NEW YORK, April 9.—The Edward C. Smith box factory was burned today. The flames spread to adjacent structures and caused a loss estimated at \$250,000. The loss on the box factory is about \$100,000. The Brooklyn ironworks, \$50,000; Alexander Collum Co., \$50,000; Church & Co.'s sawdusts, \$10,000; the Brooklyn oilworks, \$25,000. Loss on various small buildings bring the total to about \$250,000.

To Curtail Lumber Output.

TIFFIN, Ga., April 9.—The Georgia Sawmill association, representing some 300 yellow pine mill plants in Georgia, South Carolina and Florida, have decided by a practically unanimous vote that on and after May 10 all mills belonging to the association would be run on two-thirds time. This will affect thousands of operatives, and decrease the output of yellow pine in this state nearly one-third.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe.

Geo. W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50-cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by Hannah Bros. and all medicine dealers.

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## CONFLICT OF AUTHORITY.

Labor Troubles Precipitates Serious Differences Between Officials.

MIDDLESBORO, Tenn., April 9.—There is still a suppressed feeling entertained by both political parties to the local labor troubles here Saturday night. Sheriff Bonett has taken several prisoners to Pineville for safe keeping. Chief of Police King has not yet shown up and it is not known where he is. A number of special deputy sheriffs are on duty and the Republicans say they will be kept as long as they are needed. The Democratic council has sworn in no additional police-men, but the old force is now performing its duties unmolested. It is understood a large number of Winchester rifles have been shipped in.

The general opinion is that there will be no further clash of authority and that both sides will permit the officers of the other to perform their duties unmolested.

Deputy Sheriff Charles Cecil who was shot Saturday night, has suffered the amputation of a leg. Judge Bosworth, the Republican who was reinstated is holding city court today and the Democratic officials are in attendance.

## AGUINALDO IS IN MANILA.

War Department Is So Advised by Secret Service Official.

WASHINGTON, April 9.—In the mail from Manila which has just arrived at the war department are two communications expressing conviction that Aguinaldo is hiding in that city. One of these letters is from a United States secret service official, who had found conclusive evidence that the Tagal leader had been in Manila since the rebel armies in Luzon were dispersed, and who was satisfied that as he had not escaped by water he was probably still concealed in the town.

The other letter was from an army officer attached to headquarters, who voiced the opinion of all the higher military authorities that Aguinaldo was certainly not in any of the outlying districts on the island of Luzon, for American troops had too thoroughly overrun the entire country for the rebel chief to escape detection.

## AN ARMY OFFICER SUICIDES.

Captain Ostheim Takes His Life on Wedding Day Eve.

CHICAGO, April 9.—Captain Louis Ostheim, First United States artillery, was found dead in his room at the Auditorium annex late last night. There was a bullet wound in his right temple. Life had apparently been extinct since Saturday night.

According to the announcement in the Chicago papers, Captain Ostheim and Mrs. Eva Bruce Wood were to be married in this city today at the residence of the bride's uncle, Walter B. Fisher, after which they were to make an extensive tour of the east. After May 1 they were to be at home at Fort Stevens, South Georgia, where the captain's battery is stationed.

The cause of the suicide is a mystery. Nothing was left in the rooms to throw any light on the matter.

## WILL IMPROVE THE TOWN.

Union May Issue Bonds For Sewerage and Waterworks.

UNION, S. C., April 9.—At the last council meeting a petition was presented signed by a majority of the freeholders of the town, praying council to order an election to ascertain whether coupon bonds to the amount of \$50,000 shall be issued. The bonds desired are \$25,000 for the building and equipping of a sewerage system, \$12,000 for the improvement of the waterworks and \$13,000 for the erection of a town hall.

The request was granted and an election is ordered on April 25.

## Blue and Gray at Shiloh.

MEMPHIS, April 9.—The soldiers' reunion on the historic battlefield of Shiloh, on Friday last, was of a very interesting character. Soldiers were there who had fought under both the federal and confederate flags and they met in the friendliest intercourse to tell of the stirring and tragic incidents in which they had participated and wherein over 20,000 men of the north and south had fallen.

"Difficulties give way to diligence," and disease germs and blood humors disappear when Hood's Sarsaparilla is faithfully taken.

## FACIAL MASSAGE.

Wrinkles can be wiped out. Wrinkles can be prevented. Cheeks can be plumped out. All this, and more can be done by massage.

Ladies, call on Miss Keeler at Bowers & Kruse's Millinery, on Tuesday; after that date at 112 West Gregory. Zaplw

Peyser's famous 10-cent collars, at White's.

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Pistachio Cream Wafers—something new. Your dealer should have them.

We aim to have all goods on sale thoroughly reliable, because there is such a thing as maintaining the grade all along the line, and no matter how low an article may be priced at this store you can rely on its quality at all times. We keep only what we can recommend, and we recommend only what we know is trustworthy. When we tell you the merits of a purchase you can rely on the assurance. White's.

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## BOERS DRIVEN FROM FOURTEEN STREAMS

Lyddite and Shrapnell Silence Enemy's Guns.

## HEAVY FIRE MAINTAINED

Boers Made Strong Defense of Their Position—Apprehensive For Brabant, Transvaalers Are Still Active Near Bloemfontein.

LONDON, April 9.—Advices from Warren say the British shelled Fourteen Streams, which was occupied by a force of Boers. This morning the Boers placed in position a big gun, which they fired in effectually. A fusillade of Mausers followed at intervals throughout the day.

The British dropped lyddite and shrapnell shells into the Boer positions, finally silencing the enemy's fire and driving off the snipers.

A dispatch from Maseru says the Boers, who were massed last week near Ladybrand to the number of 10,000, after seizing Thaba N'Chu and the Modder river waterworks, broke up into strong divisions and are now raiding in the south of the Free State, reoccupying the small towns which were evacuated by the British. The Boer's policy seems to be to make raid movements, with little transport, looting English farmers and storekeepers freely for provisions and cutting the communications of the British forces.

General Brabant's colonials are now mostly at Weipener.

A squadron of Brabant's horse captured 400 rifles near Weipener. His outposts are reported to be in touch with the Boers and a fight is regarded as imminent.

Resistant reports are being circulated that the Boers are preparing to flank the British position at Weipener and thus to secure entrance into Basutoland. Such an attempt will be resisted by the Basutoland government, which, it is believed, has made quiet preparations.

The dispatch of the armies to Basutoland produces much excitement among the natives, necessitating the utmost vigilance on the part of the local officials.

The amazing activity of the Boers southeast and southwest of Bloemfontein continues, the Boer commands seemingly coming and going throughout a wide region as they please, but taking good care not to throw themselves against strong bodies of the British. The retirement of the Irish rifles from Bloemfontein to Alwal leaves General Brabant without communication with the other British forces. He has 2,000 or 3,000 colonists holding a fine defensive country.

Telegraphic and rail communication with Bloemfontein are kept up as usual. The absence of news disheartens the people and produces an altogether discouraging effect. The last unofficial message tells of the arrival of animals and two fresh cavalry regiments. Lord Roberts has now 15,000 mounted men altogether.

In the Orange Free State the situation is complex.

## ROBERTS IS DENOUNCED.

An Officer Severely Criticizes His Method In South Africa.

LONDON, April 9.—The officer with General Buller, who so scathingly described the disaster at Spion kop, continues his remarkable series with a denunciation as bitter as ever felt upon a general. This week his article is confined to a general review of the strategy or rather lack of strategy, which preceded the relief of Ladysmith, and he includes a terrible indictment against the useless sacrifice of the Irish brigade, whose gallantry excited so much admiration in England.

He states that British successes are more good luck than good management and refers to the plan of campaign as stupid, and their execution as worse.

## Red Hot From The Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Stead man of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible Ulcers that no treatment helped for 20 years. Then Bucklen's Fenice Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cts. a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by W. A. D'Alemberte, Druggists.

New spring arrivals in Silk Neckwear, at White's.

## FOR SALE

At a Bargain on Easy Terms. Sweet Home Farm, situated in the manufacturing village of Allen, Candy Co., Brittle State; Terms of sale: 10 cents for each guest; the person guessing nearest the valuation of said property. Proceeds to be devoted to Catholic Bazaar fund. For particulars apply to agent.

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